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MEMORANDUM FOR SERVICE SENIOR PEST MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS
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SUBJECT: Pesticide Storage and Pest Control Equipment Security

The events of September 2001 have increased the awareness of security as part of our everyday lives, and our work for the Department of Defense. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a Pesticide Consumer Alert on Pesticide Safety and Site Security available at www.epa.gov/pesticides/citizens/pest_secu_alert.htm to provide guidance. Within the DoD pest management community, there is a need to realize an extra measure of security awareness for pesticide use and pesticide storage.

As Director, Defense Pest Management, I would like to ensure that the members of the DoD pest management community are aware of the EPA alert. In particular, it emphasizes timely cooperation with local authorities and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) if a breach of security or suspicious activity occurs. In that regard, DoD pest management supervisors, or other appropriate installation-level pest management personnel, should talk to installation security personnel about the nature of the pesticides and equipment that they have on-site and any additional security precautions that may be warranted. Many of the security measures advocated for years in the DoD as safety or environmental safeguards (such as chain link fence, controlled access) are now revalidated for use in addressing this new security concern. I invite you to re-examine Military Handbook 1028/8A, Design of Pest Management Facilities (available on the AFPMB web page www.afpmb.org as Technical Information Memorandum - TIM 17) for additional information on facility security.

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